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DECATUR'S NEW GEMMA HOUSE.

As it will appear at the Opening of the Fall Season.

This morning the important and expensive work of transforming the exterior and interior appearance of Smith's opera house was commenced by E. McNabb & Son, under the direction of Manager Haines. The Manager was seen by a Republican reporter. He was asked to state what was going to be done and how the temple of music would appear at the opening of the fall season.

He replied: "Mr. Smith authorizes me to state that the opera house will be entirely transformed in appearance later in the season. The roof over the stage will be raised 20 feet, and the arch over the stage opening 25 feet high and 28 feet wide, the stage being 30 feet deep. The arch over the stage will be of the French style, and the enlargement indicated will afford abundant facilities for showing or putting on any scenery carried by any traveling dramatic or operatic company, and the stage in all its arrangements will be equal to any in the west. The stage scenery will be furnished new throughout. There will be 16 new flat or sliding scenes, each 18 feet high (double the height of the old ones), which will be shortened two feet on each side, so that there will be more room on the stage for the performers and property men to move about. In addition to the flats there will be four drop scenes, including the new curtain, one representing a palace arch, another a rocky or mountainous scene. There will also be four sets of new borders—interior, foliage, and kitchen. On either side of the stage on the gallery floor will be a new dressing room, which with the ones now provided will furnish every necessary accommodation."

"What else will be done?" asked the reporter.

"Well," replied the Manager, "Mr. Smith desires the house to be up to the times, and while he has been looking after remodeling the stage, he has not forgotten the amusement going public. The chairs in the parquette and dress circle will be raised from the fourth row of orchestra seats. Each row back will be raised two inches above the row in front, making the elevation gradual back to the entrance to the hall; but the aisles will not have the step raised. They will be in line with the tiers of chairs, and will be so constructed as to gradually incline toward the stage. The chairs on the sides, outside the parquette railing, will be moved close up to the railing, thus changing the outer aisles next to the walls, so that in case of a 'rush,' there will be more standing room and no obstruction whatever to the view of those seated in the body of the hall. This re-arrangement, I think, the public will appreciate, because I know it will be much more satisfactory to all parties. The elevation of the chairs will give every one in the audience, no matter where he may be seated, a full view of every inch of scenery shown on the enlarged stage opening. The house will be furnished with new gas fixtures, and a pretty globe for each fixture, and in all probability the walls and ceiling will be adorned with handsome paper."

Mr. Haines continued: "The present exit for the gallery is one objectionable feature, which is to be remedied by a side exit on the south side of the hall. It will empty the people in the gallery on the plank road, and give them a dry and convenient passage from the opera house to Prairie street through the postoffice alley. It will only be opened after the close of each performance. This new arrangement will prevent crowding in the entrance after the audience is dismissed, and in case of a fire it will furnish three exits for the gallery, and on the ground floor, as you know, the fire escapes are as numerous as there are doors and windows."

"Growing Beautifully Less."

S. B. Jones, assistant general passenger agent of the Union Pacific with reference to the expected Knights Templars' travel to San Francisco this summer, says the estimate is growing beautifully less daily. He thinks now that not more than 2,500 Knights and members of their families will attend the convocation from the eastern and middle states. The hotels at San Francisco have refused to give satisfactory answers to anxious inquiries, who begin to think they will be overreached if they trust themselves to the hospitality of the far west without previous contract.

The Prize Winners.

The three nights' benefit fair and festival, to raise funds for the Albert Hook and Ladder Co., No. 2, closed at the tabernacle Saturday evening, in the presence of a great crowd of people. The prizes were disposed of as follows: H. O'Neill, Gold watch—Miss Holland. Cigars—W. Roberts. Lady's gold watch—Miss McDaniel. Gold ring—Albert Hague.

There being no contestants the road cart was withdrawn. Bert Kent secured the child's suit.

The G. A. R. band enlivened the occasion with music, and Brett and Devore gave a public exhibition of their superior skill as couples, making one couple in less than two seconds. It is estimated that the Alberts will clear about \$500.

For Member of the Board.

Hot. W. B. Chambers, who has served the people so well for the past three years as a member of the board of education, has consented to be a candidate for reelection. Mr. Chambers is not only a first-class business man and well qualified to have charge of the important financial interests of our public schools, but he is also a warm friend of education, and is willing to work for the good of the cause. The election will take place to-morrow.

The Weather.

Clear and warm in Decatur. At 9:30 a. m. to-day it was clear in Chicago, thermometer 66; at St. Paul, clear, 58; at Omaha, cloudy, 56.

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I will sell Steamship Tickets from Bremen to New York at \$22; children half price. Scandinavian tickets from Stockholm, Malmoe, Gothenburg, Copenhagen, Christiania, Christiansand, Bergen and Stavanger, to New York, at \$24. Tickets from Glasgow, Liverpool, Londonderry and Queensdown to New York, at \$21. For further information call on

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